

### REMARKS

This Second Preliminary Amendment is presented in order to provide a **corrected section for the listing of claims** which was included with the First Preliminary Amendment filed on July 12, 2004. [Amendments to the specification presented in the earlier filed First Preliminary Amendment are not included herein, since *only* the listing of claims was objected to.]

Particularly, claims 1-7, 9-12 and 15-90 have been amended. No new matter has been added by virtue of these amendments; support therefor being found throughout the specification and in the original claims of the application.

The within amendments are presented to comply with the sequence rules and correct various informalities. For instance, amendments are presented to recite sequence identifiers in the claims where appropriate, to remove improper multiple dependencies, correct several instances of misnumbering of claims which appeared in the original claim set, to remove other minor informalities and generally to conform the claim set to U.S. patent practice.

Early examination and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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